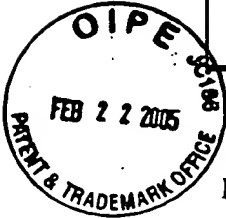


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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

In response to the Office Action dated January 27, 2005,  
Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application, including  
pending claims 1 and 10-18, for the following reasons.

Consideration of the remarks after final is proper under 37 C.F.R.  
§1.116 because 1) no claims are amended; 2) the remarks clarify issues previously  
presented; and 3) the remarks place the application in condition for allowance.  
Entry and consideration of the remarks is thus respectfully solicited.

Claims 1 and 10-18 have been rejected under 35 USC §112, first  
paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. It is  
alleged in the Office Action that the hydrophilic groups recited in claim 1, all  
other claims depending therefrom, are not supported by the specification as filed.  
Further, it is alleged that the broad claim of a "water-soluble hyperbranched  
polymeric dye" in claim 1, and certain of the specific polymers set forth in claim  
10, are not supported by the specification as filed. Applicants traverse the  
rejection as follows.